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SUBJECT: EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY US

CITIZEN, MRS. DOROTHY WOOD

REF: CONGEN TEL 091 AND 084

1. MRS. DOROTHY WOOD, WHOSE PROPERTY IN NOVA SCOTIA EXPROPRIATED BY PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT AS DESCRIBED REFTELS, CALLED PRINCIPAL OFFICER APRIL 23 FROM HOME IN MILAN, OHIO. HER LAWYER, WHO ALSO HER HUSBAND, HENRY P.KOSLING, OF CLEVELAND OHIO SUGGESTED THAT SHE CALL.

2. MRS. WOOD MADE NO SPECIAL REQUESTS AND DID NOT WANT CONGEN TO TAKE ANY PARTICULAR ACTION ON HER BEHALF. SHE FELT CONGEN SHOULD BE AWARE OF HER PROBLEM. SHE WAS ASSURED THAT IT WAS AND THAT PRESS COVERAGE BEING REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT AND TO OTTAWA.

3. SHE INFORMED CONGEN THAT HER HALIFAX ATTORNEY IS DAVID CHIPMAN OF FIRM STEWART, MACKEEN AND COVERT. CONGEN SUBSEQUENTLY IN TOUCH WITH CHIPMAN WHO EXPLAINED HE WOULD WANT WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION FROM MRS. WOOD PRIOR TO DISCUSSING

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ANY DETAILS OF CASE WITH THIS OFFICE. (NOT CLEAR HOW HE

CAN OBTAIN SUCH AUTHORIZATION IN NEAR FUTURE IN VIEW OF
CANADIAN AIR AND POSTAL STRIKES)

4. MRS. WOOD SAID SHE HAD RETURNED TO OHIO TWO OR THREE
WEEKS AGO FROM HONG KONG RATHER UNEXPECTEDLY TO FIND
NOVA SCOTIA GOVERNMENT PAPERS REGARDING IMPENDING
EXPROPRIATION AND SHE AND HER HUSBAND-LAWYER HAD THEN
COME TO HALIFAX TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH MINISTER OF LANDS
AND FORESTS, DR. MAURICE DELORY (SEE REFTEL 084) SHE HAS
SINCE RETURNED TO OHIO IN HOPE THAT HER HALIFAX LAWYER
WILL BE ABLE TO HELP HER RETAIN HER PROPERTY.

5. CONGEN TOLD MRS. WOOD THAT DEVELOPMENTS IN CASE WOULD
CONTINUE TO BE FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND THAT CONTACT WOULD
BE MAINTAINED WITH HER THROUGH HER HALIFAX LAWYER, OR IF
NEED BE, DIRECTLY. DEPARTMENT WILL BE KEPT INFORMED OF
FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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